## We Claim:

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1. A method of adhering copper thin film to a substrate in an integrated circuit structure comprising:

preparing a substrate, including forming active regions, vias and trenches for interconnect structures;

depositing a metal barrier layer on the substrate;

depositing an ultra thin film layer of tungsten over the barrier metal layer;

depositing a copper thin film on the tungsten ultra thin film layer;

removing excess copper and tungsten to the level of the metal barrier layer; and

completing the integrated circuit structure.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing an ultra thin film layer of tungsten includes depositing a tungsten layer having a thickness of between about 1 nm to 5 nm.
- The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing an ultra thin film layer of tungsten includes depositing the tungsten by a deposition method taken from the group of methods consisting of MOCVD and ALD.
- 4. The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing an ultra thin film layer of tungsten includes depositing the tungsten from a precursor taken from the group of precursors consisting of WF<sub>6</sub> and W(CO)<sub>6</sub>.

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- 5. The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing a barrier metal layer includes depositing a layer of material taken from the group of materials consisting of Ta, TiN, TaN and TiSiN.
- 5 6. The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing a barrier metal layer includes depositing a layer of material to a thickness of between about 5 nm to 10 nm.
  - 7. The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing a barrier metal layer includes depositing a layer of material by PVD, ALD or MOCVD.
  - 8. The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing a copper thin film includes depositing a layer of copper to a thickness sufficient to fill vias and trenches in the structure.
- 9. The method of claim 8 wherein said depositing a copper thin film includes

  depositing a layer of copper to a thickness sufficient to fill vias and trenches in the structure includes depositing a layer of copper to a thickness of between about 10 nm to 20 nm.
  - 10. The method of claim 1 wherein said depositing a copper thin film includes depositing a layer of copper by PVD, ALD or MOCVD.

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11. A method of adhering copper thin film to a substrate in an integrated circuit structure comprising:

preparing a substrate, including forming active regions, vias and trenches for interconnect structures;

depositing a metal barrier layer on the substrate;

depositing an ultra thin film layer of tungsten over the barrier metal layer to a thickness of between about 1 nm to 5 nm from a precursor taken from the group of precursors consisting of  $WF_6$  and  $W(CO)_6$ ;

depositing a copper thin film on the tungsten ultra thin film layer; removing excess copper and tungsten to the level of the metal barrier layer; and completing the integrated circuit structure.

- 12. The method of claim 11 wherein said depositing an ultra thin film layer of tungsten includes depositing the tungsten by a deposition method taken from the group of methods consisting of MOCVD and ALD.
- 13. The method of claim 11 wherein said depositing a barrier metal layer includes depositing a layer of material taken from the group of materials consisting of Ta, TiN, TaN TaSiN and TiSiN.

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- 14. The method of claim 11 wherein said depositing a barrier metal layer includes depositing a layer of material to a thickness of between about 5 nm to 10 nm.
- The method of claim 11 wherein said depositing a barrier metal layer includes depositing a layer of material by PVD, ALD or MOCVD.
  - 16. The method of claim 11 wherein said depositing a copper thin film includes depositing a layer of copper to a thickness sufficient to fill vias and trenches in the structure.
- 17. The method of claim 16 wherein said depositing a copper thin film includes depositing a layer of copper to a thickness sufficient to fill vias and trenches in the structure includes depositing a layer of copper to a thickness of between about 10 nm to 20 nm.
- 18. The method of claim 11 wherein said depositing a copper thin film includes depositing a layer of copper by PVD, ALD or MOCVD.

19. An integrated circuit having a copper interconnect therein formed over a layer of barrier metal comprising:

a substrate, including active regions, vias and trenches for interconnect structures; a metal barrier layer formed on the substrate, wherein said metal barrier layer is taken from the group of materials consisting of Ta, TiN, TaN and TiSiN, and formed to a thickness of between about 5 nm to 10 nm;

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an ultra thin film layer of tungsten formed on the barrier metal layer, said tungsten ultra thin film layer having a thickness of between about 1 nm to 5 nm; and

a copper thin film layer formed on the tungsten ultra thin film layer to a thickness to sufficient to fill the vias and trenches in the structure

20. The integrated circuit of claim 19 wherein said ultra thin film layer of tungsten is formed from a precursor taken from the group of precursors consisting of WF<sub>6</sub> and W(CO)<sub>6</sub>.

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The method of claim 19 wherein said depositing a copper thin film includes depositing a layer of copper to a thickness sufficient to fill the vias and trenches in the structure includes depositing a layer of copper to a thickness of between about 10 nm to 20 nm.

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